Resolution # 100918-4

Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Storm Sewers and Watercourses, Further Providing for Authority of Boroughs and for Manner of Financing Work

WHEREAS, Gettysburg Borough recognizes the importance of proper storm water maintenance and the impact it has on the environment, and

WHEREAS, Gettysburg Borough also recognizes that the local municipality is ultimately responsible for complying with Federal MS4 regulations and mandates, and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 914 amends the Borough Code by authorizing uniform and reasonable storm water fees levied by municipalities rather than through municipal authorities, and

WHEREAS, Gettysburg Borough understands that it is overly burdensome to require a small municipality of less than 2 square miles to in effect create another level of government in order to implement a fee to manage storm water, and

WHEREAS, Gettysburg Borough feels that without statutory authorization for Boroughs and Townships to impose a fee for storm water management, it becomes an unfunded mandate for these Boroughs and Townships,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the duly elected Council of the Borough of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, a municipal corporation, and a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, **SUPPORT House Bill No. 914** and encourage the members of the State Legislature to do the same.

ADOPTED on this 9th day of October, 2018, at a duly advertised general monthly business meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

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President of Borough Council

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State Representative Honorable Dan Moul District Office 30 West Middle Street Gettysburg, PA 17325 12 October 2018

RE: House Bill No. 914

Dear Mr. Moul:

The House of Representatives is currently considering House Bill No. 914, entitled An Act Amending Title 9 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Storm Sewers and Watercourses Further Providing for Authority of Boroughs and for Manner of Financing Work.

Please consider this correspondence as formal notification that the Gettysburg Borough Council is unanimously in favor of and fully supports this legislation and asks that you also support this legislation.

The following motion was unanimously passed at its October 9, 2018 meeting and is enclosed for your reference:

A motion to adopt a resolution supporting House Bill No 914 entitled An Act Amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Storm Sewers and Watercourses Further Providing for Authority of Boroughs and for Manner of Financing Work.

The Bill will allow Boroughs to more easily comply with unfunded Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) mandates, imposed by the EPA. Currently, no mechanism exists for Boroughs to collect Storm Water Fees without the creation of another layer of burdensome bureaucracy in the form of a Municipal Authority. Bill 914 will streamline this process and allow Boroughs to directly collect these fees as a matter of usual business.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles R. Gable, MPA

Borough Manager

Enclosure

CC: Borough Council

Senator Richard Alloway